

Monday, November 16, 2015

At a public hearing of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 6:30 P.M.

All members are present.

The following ordinance is read by title:

15 O 70 An ordinance amending Code of Ordinances, Appendix C entitled “Zoning” to create a Woonsocket Downtown Overlay District.

The following persons addressed the council: Chuck O’Neill, Robert Egan, John Flaherty, Antonio Rodrigues, Emily Laramee, Michael Balant, James Casciano and Tammy Irwin.

15 O 75 An ordinance adopting the Highland Corporate Park/Woonsocket Redevelopment Plan and the Highland Corporate Park/Woonsocket Tax Increment Financing Plan and authorizing the issuance of bonds to finance certain public infrastructure and public improvements necessary in connection with the Highland Corporate Park Plan.

The following person addressed the council: Chuck O’Neill.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the public hearing be and it is hereby adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

The regular meeting follows at 7:00 P.M.

The prayer is read by the Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance is given by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: Dennis Desaulniers, Mary Var, Shane Cullerton, Susan Corticelli, George Fontaine, Jeff Fontaine, Philip Labrecque, Nora Wuraftic, Patrick Croft, Lucy Reed, Dan Peloquin, Stephanie Lachance and Jeff Fontaine.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilors Murray and Gendron it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following two ordinances:

15 O 70 An ordinance amending Zoning Ordinance to create a Woonsocket Downtown Overlay District, which was tabled until this meeting, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll

call vote on same being unanimous.

15 O 75 An ordinance adopting the Highland Corporate Park/Woonsocket Redevelopment Plan and Highland Corporate Park/Woonsocket Tax Increment Financing Plan and authorizing the issuance of bonds to finance certain public infrastructure and public improvements necessary in connection with the Highland Corporate Park Plan is read by title, which was tabled until this meeting, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

15 O 42 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning ordinance changing the zoning designation of Assessor's Plat 10, Lots 13, 18, 22, 28, 274, 289, 291, 369 and 377 from R-4 and Lot 47 from R-3 to MU,1 which was passed for the first time on November 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the ordinance be tabled, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held November 2nd be approved as amended, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

15 CO 103 A communication from Planning Board Chairman submitting advice and recommendation regarding creating a Downtown (Main Street area) Overlay District.

15 CO 104 A communication from Planning Board Chairman submitting response to request for advice and recommendation to allow zoning variances for the encroachment of unenclosed structures (porches, decks, gazebos, etc.) in front setbacks of R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4.

15 CO 105 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Giovanna M. Donoyan.

15 CO 106 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Dakarai

Martin.

15 CO 107 A communication from City Solicitor regarding Woonsocket Head Start Child Development Association.

15 CO 108 An opinion of City Solicitor regarding claim of Genesis Martinez.

15 LC 34 An application of Mezzmerized, LLC d/b/a The Mezz Pizzeria to hold a Class BL license at 800 Providence Street, which was advertised for hearing on this date, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following individuals address the council: Steven Seagrave, Joseph Lachance and Stephanie Lachance.

15 LC 35 Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 1 application for holiday license, 1 application for renewal of police constable license, 5 applications for renewal of first class victualing license and 1 application for renewal of second class victualing license.

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilmen Moreau and Gendron it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following:

15 R 132 A resolution ratifying the tentative agreement between Rhode Island Council 94, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Professional and Technical Employees Local 3851 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voiced voted on same being unanimous.

15 CP 68 A request of Councilman Jalette to address the 5 + 5 economic stimulus plan.

15 CP 69 A request of Councilman Moreau to address RISE Mayoral Academy legal fees, lawsuit, outstanding bills and paid and Police Chief Thomas Carey retirement.

15 CP 70 A request of Councilwoman Murray to address RISE Mayoral academy legal fees, animal control reports, staffing, adoption and donations and City infrastructure upgrades.

15 CP 71 A request of Councilman Gendron to address PILOT agreements for “non-profits” and recommendation of administration and status of water treatment plant.

15 CP 72 A request of Council President Brien to address Broadway junkyard, WHA, Gas-fired con-gen plant, RISE Mayoral Academy, Zoning and Financial Status.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilwoman Murray passed.

Councilman Beauchamp passed.

President Brien passed.

Councilman Gendron passed.

Councilman Jalette spoke about residential/commercial business taxes and flea market on Mason Street.

Councilman Mancieri passed.

Councilman Moreau passed.

15 O 67 An ordinance in amendment of Zoning Ordinance regarding requirements in residential districts is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman

Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 O 72 An ordinance authorizing the City of Woonsocket to adopt a Cross Connection Control Program, which was passed for the first time on November 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being 5-2 with Councilors Gendron and Brien voting no.

15 O 76 An ordinance in amendment of Article 16 “Streets and Sidewalks” to increase the rental rates for dump trucks and pickup trucks during snow emergencies, which was passed for the first time on November 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 O 78 An ordinance to amend the existing homestead exemption policy and implement procedures for its application, which was passed for the first time on November 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a voice vote on same

being unanimous.

15 O 80 An ordinance in amendment Chapter 15 entitled “Parks and Recreation”, which was passed for the first time on November 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 127 A resolution authorizing the lease of a new copy machine for Public Works Department, Office of the Director is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilors Beauchamp and Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 128 A resolution authorizing Mayor to execute a purchase and sales agreement for the sale of Ayotte Field is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 129 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed except Federal National Mortgage account, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 130 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous. Councilman Mancieri recused himself from this vote.

15 R 131 A resolution in support of a partnership with WorkCamps is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 133 A resolution suspending the Job Creation Incentives Program is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Mancieri it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned at 10:34 P.M.

Attest: Christina Harmon-Duarte City Clerk